growers,. the Government has allowed export assistance to defray a part of expenditure on internal transport, marketing and handling charges and ocean freight @ Rs. 1350/- per tonne for sugar factories located in coastal areas and Rs.1450/- per tonne for sugar factories located in non-coastal areas (subject to actuals for export by road/rail in case of neighbouring countries). The scheme has been announced for a period of one year with effect from 19th April, 2007.

(c) No, Sir

(d) During the financial year 2005-06 and 2006-07, the Government has not announced any export assistance for export of sugar. As such, the question of giving assistance for exports made during these years does not arise. In the year 2007-08, the Government is yet to invite claims for export assistance from the sugar mills.

Rehabilitation of homeless people due to SEZs

†2306. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated a policy for rehabilitation of a large number of people who would become homeless as a result of establishing Special Economic Zones in the country;

(b) if so, the details ofthe policy; and

(c) the officials/authority responsible for implementing the said policy as well as the provision of punishment set for being defiant in implementing the said policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) to (c) A Group of Ministers under the Chairmanship of Minister of Agriculture has been constituted to consider the amendments to the Land Acquisition Act and also a new Resettlement and Rehabilitation Policy. As and when these are implemented, it will applicable for acquisitior of land for various purposes, including for Special Economic Zones (SEZs).

Non-acceptability of mall culture

†2307. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to media reports titled "Only 10-12 per cent of malls in India successful";

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.